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1. EMBASSY'S PROPOSAL THAT ANDREOTTI VISIT BE USED AS OCCASION TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE COOPERATION BETWEEN GOI AND USG TAX OFFICALS AROSE FROM CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE AMBASSADOR AND MINISTER OF FINANCE PANDOLFI. AT THE AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST, PANDOLFI HAS SUBMITTED NOTE PROVIDING DETAILS ON THREE PROPOSED TYPES OF COOPERATION. TRANSLATION OF RELEVANT PORTION OF HIS NOTE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) VISITS BY OFFICIALS OF THE FINANCE GUARD (THEIR DUTIES COMBINE THOSE OF IRS REVENUE AND INTELLIGENCE AGENTS, US CUSTOMS INVESTIGATORS AND THE SECRET SERVICE) TO THE CORRESPONDING OFFICES OF THE IRS AIMED AT IMPROVING THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE METHODOLOGY OF TAX INVESTIGATION, THAT IS OF THE DIVERSE TECHNIQUES OF INVESTIGATION AIMED AT OBTAINING INFORMATION ON THE (FINANCIAL) CONDITION OF THE TAXPAYERS.

(B) VISITS BY OFFICIALS OF THE FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION TO THE OFFICES OF THE IRS CHARGED WITH DATA PROCESSING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(NATIONAL COMPUTER CENTER AND REGIONAL CENTERS) IN ORDER TO IMPROVE KNOWLEDGE WHICH WOULD BE USEFUL IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR THE COMPUTERIZED TAX ROLLS WHICH IS NOW TAKING PLACE IN ITALY.

(C) ON ANTHER LEVEL, BUT CLEARLY USEFUL AS WELL FOR MORE GENERAL OBJECTIVES, A VISIT TO THE U.S. BY MEMBERSOF THE FINANCE AND TREASURY COMMITTEES OF THE CHAMBER

OF DEPUTIES AND SENATE, WITH A PROGRAM PERMITTING THEM TO LEARN ABOUT THE STRUCTURE AND OPERATIONAL TECHNIQUES OF THE FEDERAL TAX AUTHORITIES.

2. THE AMBASSADOR PLANS TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT FURTHER DURING HIS CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANDREOTTI VISIT.GARDNER

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